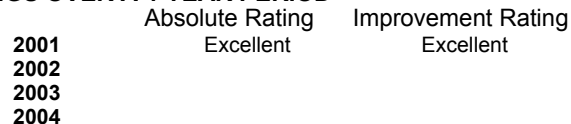


ABSOLUTE RATING: Excellent
IMPROVEMENT RATING: Excellent

Number of Elementary schools with students like ours: 85.

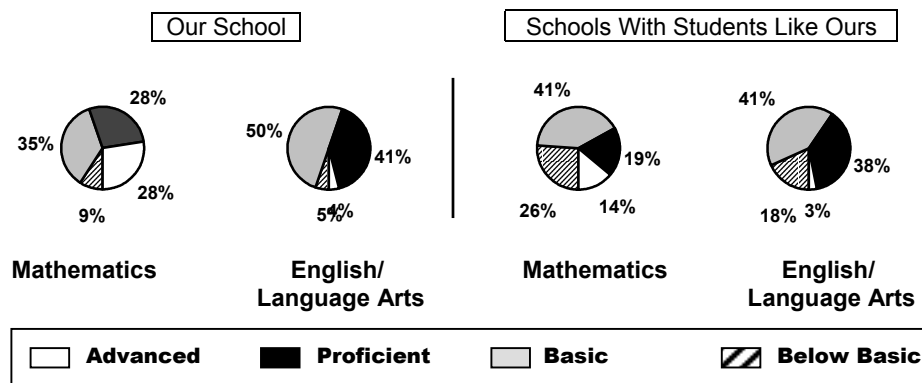
The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from average to excellent. For improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to excellent.

RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD



(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

PALMETTO ACHIEVEMENT CHALLENGE TESTS (PACT) RESULTS



DEFINITIONS OF CRITICAL TERMS:

- Advanced** – Student performance exceeded expectations.
- Proficient** – Student performance met expectations.
- Basic** – Student performance met minimum performance expectations.
- Below Basic** – Student performance did not meet minimum performance expectations.

Science scores are to be reported on the 2004 School Report Card. Social studies scores are to be reported on the 2005 School Report Card.

PERCENT OF STUDENTS SCORING BASIC OR ABOVE ON THE PACT				
Student Group	English/ Language Arts	Math	Science	Social Studies
All students (n=76)	94.7	90.8	N/A	N/A
Students with disabilities other than Speech (n=15)	N/A	N/A		
Students without disabilities (n=61)	96.7	93.4		
Gender				
Male (n=36)	94.4	91.7		
Female (n=40)	95	90		
Ethnic Group				
African American (n=6)	N/A	N/A		
Hispanic (n=N/A)	N/A	N/A		
White (n=70)	97.1	92.9		
Other (n=N/A)	N/A	N/A		
Lunch Status Group				
Free/reduced-price Lunch (n=33)	87.9	81.8		
Pay for lunch (n=43)	100	97.7		

SCHOOL PROFILE

INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

SCHOOL	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Elementary School
• Dollars spent per student	\$5,507	N/A	\$5,090	\$5,347
• Prime instructional time	86.7%	Down from 88.7%	90.4%	90.2%
• Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	20.6 to 1	N/A	19.2 to 1	18.7 to 1
STUDENTS (n=168)				
• Attendance Rate	95%	Down from 96%	96.4%	96.2%
• Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (ELA) off grade level	2.6%	N/A	3.2%	4.1%
• Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (math) off grade level	1.3%	N/A	2.1%	3.1%
• First graders who attended full day kindergarten	96.9%	Up from 87.9%	96.1%	96.3%
• Meeting grade 1 and 2 readiness standards	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
• Retention rate	3.7%	Up from 2%	3%	3.6%
TEACHERS (n=11)				
• Professional Development days per teacher	14.4 Days	Up from 10.2	7.7 Days	7.6 days
• Attendance Rate	94.6%	Down from 95.4%	95.4%	95.1%
• Teachers with advanced degrees	72.7%	Up from 63.6%	48.5%	47.7%
• Continuing contract teachers	100%	Up from 90.9%	85.7%	83.8%
• Teachers with out-of-field permits	0%	No change	0%	0.0%
• Teachers returning from the previous school year	84.9%	Down from 94.4%	88.1%	87.2%
• Average teacher salary	\$41,468	Up 4.8%	\$37,931	\$37,520

SCHOOL FACTS

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Elementary School
SCHOOL				
• Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries	57.5%	N/A	64.7%	65.3%
• Principal's years at the school	11	N/A	4	4.0
• Parents attending conferences	75%	N/A	95.4%	95.6%
• Opportunities in the arts	Good	N/A	Good	Good
STUDENTS				
• On academic plans	39.1%	Up from 25.7%	39.8%	43.1%
• On academic probation	0%	N/A	0%	0.0%
• Older than usual for grade	0.6%	Down from 0.7%	0.9%	1.1%
• Suspended or expelled	0	N/A	0	1
• Gifted and talented	9%	Down from 12%	15.6%	11.5%
• With disabilities other than speech	12.2%	Down from 13.5%	8.5%	8.4%



PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

Wright Elementary has had a very prosperous school year. Faculty, staff, and students continued to work extremely hard as we prepared for state assessments and Southern Association Accreditation. Among our accomplishments:

Nathan Bouchillon was the Lt. Governor's Essay winner for the district.

All grades had a higher percentage of students score above basic on PACT than the state averages.

Construction has begun on renovations and new classrooms.

Accelerated Reader sparked interest in student reading.

Additional library books were purchased for our media center.

Our Southern Association of Colleges and Schools visit went extremely well. We will continue implementation of our five-year plan as we strive to fine tune our curriculum.

Several teachers have worked diligently toward National Board Certification. Jackie Martin was selected our first Teacher of the Year. Our selection for this year was Christy Hughes.

We also appreciate the support we have received from our PTO and School Improvement Council. The PTO funded the purchase of new books for our media center, as well as assisting with numerous school functions.

As we enter a new year, we will continue to work toward our school motto by providing "The Wright Education For Our Children."

EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	100.0	68.4	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	91.7	84.2	
Satisfied with home-school relations	100.0	84.2	

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Unsatisfactory – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Wright Elementary
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Grades K-6 Elementary School

Enrollment: 168 Students

Principal

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Ronald E. Tysl 864-369-7364



THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Annual School
Report Card

2001



School Grade:
Excellent

South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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